

Iowa Tornado Statistics



1980 - 2008

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Total Number of Tornadoes: 1408

Average Tornadoes in a year: 49

Most Tornadoes in a day: 28 April 11, 2001

Most Tornadoes in a month: 57 May 2004

Most Tornadoes in a year: 120 2004

Least Tornadoes in a year: 22 1996

Number of Injuries: 729

Most Injuries in a Year: 133 1998 and 2008

Number of Deaths: 26

Most Deaths Individual Tornado: 9 May 25, 2008 Parkersburg-New Hartford

Most Deaths in a Year: 12 2008

Path Length of All Tornadoes: 5198.4 miles

Average Path Length: 3.7 miles

Longest Path Length Individual Tornado: 124 miles June 7, 1984

Average Width: 71.5 Yards

Largest Width Individual Tornado: 2100 Yards May 25, 2008

Peak Hour Tornado Occurrence: 5PM - 6PM CDT

Peak Month Tornado Occurrence: June

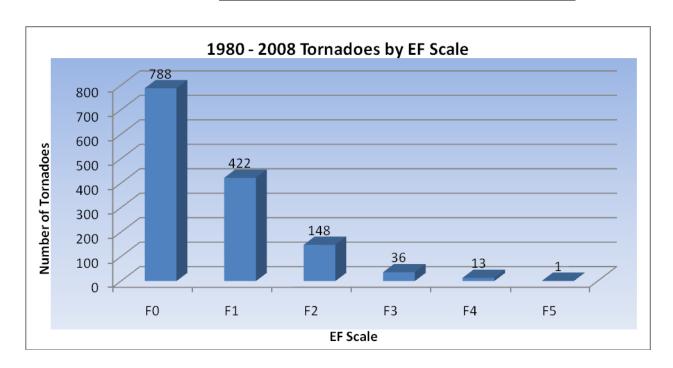
Number of Tornado Days Per Year: 16

Most Tornado Days in One Year: 25 1990 and 2008

Least Tornado Days in One Year: 10 1983 and 2006

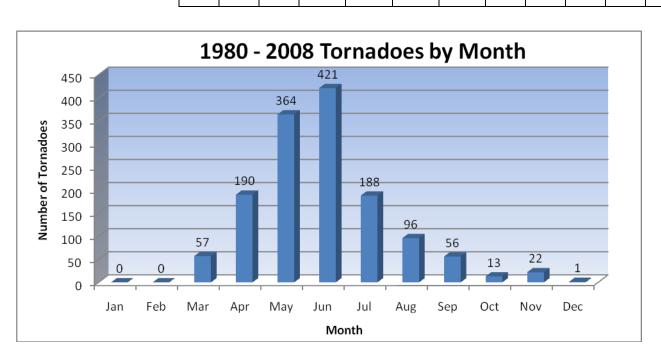
Tornadoes by EF-Scale:

EF0	EF1	EF2	EF3	EF4	EF5
788	422	148	36	13	1
55.9%	30.0%	10.5%	2.6%	0.9%	0.1%



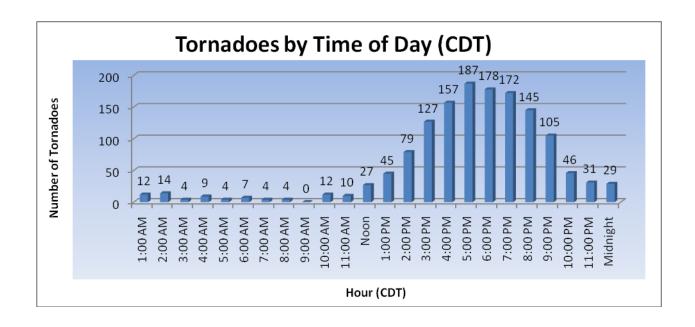
Tornadoes by Month:

Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec
0	0	57	190	364	421	188	96	56	13	22	1
0.0%	0.0%	4.1%	13.4%	25.9%	29.9%	13.4%	6.8%	4.0%	0.9%	1.5%	0.1%



Tornadoes by Time of Day (CDT):

MID	1AM	2AM	3AM	4AM	5AM	6AM	7AM	8AM	9AM	10AM	11AM
29	12	14	4	9	4	7	4	4	0	12	10
2.1%	0.9%	1.0%	0.3%	0.6%	0.3%	0.5%	0.3%	0.3%	0.0%	0.9%	0.7%
Noon	1PM	2PM	3PM	4PM	5PM	6PM	7PM	8PM	9PM	10PM	11PM
27	45	79	127	157	187	178	172	145	105	46	31
1.9%	3.2%	5.6%	9.0%	11.2%	13.3%	12.7%	12.2%	10.3%	7.5%	3.3%	2.2%



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